

# Sunny Start Core Partners Meeting Summary

Meeting Date: Tuesday, July 24, 2007

**Location:** Indiana State Dept. of Health, Rice Auditorium

**Facilitators:** Dr. Judy Ganser, Andrea Wilkes

Participants: Cathy Beard, Edward Bloom, Daniel Clendenning, Sheron Cochran, Pat Cole,

Anita Doctor, Judith Ganser, Audie Gilmer, Marian Greene, Maureen Greer, Toni Harpster, Rebecca Kirby, Kimberly Minniear, Donna Myers, Mary Jo Paladino, Caitlin Priest, John Rau, Cheryl Shearer, Karen Stroup, Marsha Thompson, Angela Tomlin, Dianna Wallace, Andrea Wilkes, Eric Wright,

Items of Interest Dates for next core partner meeting - October 23, 2007. Please mark your

calendars!

Sunny Start Web-site - <u>www.sunnystart.in.gov</u>

Early Childhood Meeting Place Website - <a href="http://earlychildhoodmeetingplace.indiana.edu">http://earlychildhoodmeetingplace.indiana.edu</a>

Infant Mental Health Summer Institute Report
Early Childhood Meeting Place Expansion Report

National Training Institute on Effective Practice Report Child Care Health Consultant Program Outcome Review

Summary of meeting:

Attachments:

**Grant Application Update** 

Andrea Wilkes reported that the grant application was submitted yesterday (7/23/07) for year three of the Sunny Start (ECCS) Project. Andrea thanked all those who sent in their letters of support. Accomplishments for the project include:

- Expansion of the Early Childhood Meeting Place
- The 2007 Infant Mental Health Summer Institute
- Social-Emotional Consensus Statement

Future Projects include:

Developmental Calendar (recommendations complete, await final

posting which is expected in Fall, 2007)

Medical Passport

#### Infant Mental Health Summer Institute -

Steve Viehweg reviewed the 2007 Infant Mental Health Association Summer Institute which was held the week of July 11<sup>th</sup> and sponsored by Sunny Start.

This was a week long intensive training for mental health professionals designed to expand the workforce. The three goals for the training included:

- Get Mental Health providers to work with infants and toddlers.
- Expand the workforce baseline training already in existence; need intensive training to support those in practice
- Provide mentoring with a senior clinician

There were a total of 75 participants, 50 for session one, 52 for session two and 41 for session three. There were 27 individuals who participated in all five days. The audience came from 22 mental health centers across the state and from 26 communities.

The next steps for the group to consider include:

- create a list-serve for providers
- Use the Consensus Statement created by the Sunny Start Social-Emotional Committee to survey providers
- Identify needs/gaps in training
- Develop a plan to address training needs

For more detailed information on Steve's presentation, please see the Power Point presentation which is attached.

## Evaluation Committee Update

Dr. Eric Wright from the Center for Health Policy introduced Daniel Clendenning who is replacing Tony Lawson on the Sunny Start project. The report for year two will submitted in August.

At the last Core Partner meeting there was a question on protocol used for Medicaid eligibility categories as a proxy. Since that meeting, representatives from the Center for Health Policy have met with Medicaid and received new data which resulted in a 40% undercount.

Roadblocks in the area of data collection were discussed. In regards to medical home, there is no single entity collecting this data. Daniel will follow up with Anita Doctor as the Quality Rating System will be auditing licensed and faith based child care entities and will be collecting information on primary medical care. There is also no good data on expulsion information as there is little data on this age population and DOE does not track expulsions.

A committee meeting will be held the end of August to review the year end

report.

# Findings of National Training Institute on Effective Practices

Cheryl Shearer, from the Department of Mental Health and Addictions discussed findings from conference she attended earlier this year which indicated that interventions recommended for promoting infant and toddler mental health have not been integrated into trainings. There is more emphasis on school age populations but the younger population has not been integrated. Based on the impact that healthy social and emotional development in infants and toddlers has on overall development, there is a real need for this to be one flowing field. In Indiana the Family Social Service Administration (FSSA) has a contract out regarding workforce development. The focus of this will be to educate physicians on appropriate social and emotional development in infants and toddlers. For more information on the findings, please see Cheryl's presentation which is attached.

## Indiana WINS Update

John Richard reported that on May 1, 2007 an Indiana WINS pilot began for the Children's program at Riley Hospital. Families were able to go to a private room. During the month of May, eight applications were processed and representatives from the Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) were able to help Riley staff incorporate Indiana WINS into their system.

During the month of June, ISDH staff worked with state staff to help with Indiana WINS applications on their side. All bugs were fixed and two more applications were processed. Also, a parent participant went to Riley to complete and application and her findings were documented. A complete review of her experience will be discussed at a meeting on August 10<sup>th</sup>.

The next step (August) will be adding WIC and MCH Services; a pilot will be held in Greencastle IN. After this pilot of one month it is expected that we will have a live product. Then the number of locations will be expanded and at the end of the year they will begin publicizing the program. A virtual training program is also in the works.

#### Early Childhood Meeting Place Update

Cathy Beard reported that a formal on-line survey about the meeting place is about to be launched. The survey which runs via "Survey Monkey", will be sent to all Core Partners and agencies that serve families. Agencies that are listed on the meeting place and those that are not will be surveyed.

Cathy also reported on the marketing efforts for the expansion. The Early Childhood Meeting Place has been marketed at 16 different conferences. Thousands of posters, flyers and bookmarks have been distributed and as a

result the number of resources and account holders has grown substantially. For more information, see Carol's presentation which is attached.

Child Care Health Consultant Program Outcome Review

The purpose of the study is to assess the effectiveness of child care health consultation on health and safety in a child care environment. They are currently at 91 pre assessments with the goal being 100. Second or post assessments total 41. Pat reviewed the top ten most out of compliance items for both assessments. This information can be found on the attached handout.

The question was posed as to whether information from this study will be incorporated into the Quality Rating Scale. Anita Doctor from FSSA said she believes it is but will check at their next committee meeting and will let core partners know the outcome.

# Family Advisory Committee Update:

Mary Jo Paladino explained that the Family Advisory Committee will be meeting in mid August. Their work on the developmental calendar is complete and we are now awaiting production. The anticipated release date is fall of 2007. The committee will begin looking at the Medical Passport, Indiana WINS and will discuss future projects.

# Medical Home Committee Update:

Dr. Ganser informed the group that the Medical Home Committee will also meet in mid August to discuss results of the physicians survey so they can begin planning future projects.

### Core Partner Updates:

Karen Stroup, Riley Hospital Community Education talked about the safety store which provides safety related items at low cost for families. The store is open at Riley Hospital, there is also one in Greensburg and Morgan County and will soon be open at the Children's Museum.

Angela Tomlin, Riley Child Development Center and the Indiana Infant and Toddler Mental Health Association – Infant Mental Health conference is on Friday, August 17<sup>th</sup> at the Riley Outpatient Center; the topic will be feeding

Audie Gilmer, Health Families – The Institute for Strengthening Families will be held at the Indiana Government Center September 17 – September 19. A Save the Date Announcement will be coming soon.

Next Meeting – October 23, 2007 1:00 – 3:30 at the Indiana State Department of Health - Rice Auditorium

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